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pathetic understanding, of generous appreciation, who have made the women's clubs a vital force for good."

The subject is treated under the heads "The Little Girl," "The School Girl," "The Student," "The Educator," "The Wife and Mother," "The Author," "The Traveler," "The Club Woman," "The Speaker," "The Woman."

In Mrs. Pennybacker's manysided life, the aspect under which she is most generally known, and which is now of widest interest, is that of the club woman. It is this phase, therefore, and its related phases, which the book emphasizes.

"Mrs. Pennybacker has lived under the two régimes of the Woman's Club—the one, of ostracism and suspicion; the other, of power and recognition," says Miss Knox in the chapter on "The Club Woman."

Her club life began in Carthage, Missouri, when she was still a young girl. As a young married woman she went from Palestine, about twenty years ago, to her first State Convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs in San Antonio, where the bishop prayed: "Lord, though we are in doubt about this movement, Thou canst bring good out of it!"

Today, the woman's clubs have become a power to reckon with; it has become a matter of vital moment to gain their support in all public movements looking to human betterment. While it is of course impossible to weigh exactly any one individual's influence in so wide a growth as this, it is undoubtedly true that Mrs. Pennybacker has had a large part in bringing about the development which has been so noticeable in the last ten years.

Quotations are made from letters of such people as Edward Bok, former acting President W. J. Battle, and Ex-president Sidney E. Mezes, of the University of Texas, Ex-governor Campbell, Lady Aberdeen, as well as prominent American club women, to show in what high esteem Mrs. Pennybacker is held in America. Portraits of Mr. and Mrs. Pennybacker and their daughter Ruth, and pictures of the old Sam Houston Normal, and the Pennybacker residence in Austin, illustrate the book.

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Woodrow Wilson as President, by Eugene C. Brooks, Professor of Education, Trinity College, Durham, N. C. (Chicago: Row,

Peterson and Company. Pp. 572. \$1.60), is a somewhat uncritical but extremely interesting, and withal, valuable, review of President Wilson's administration. The book is made up largely of excerpts from the President's messages and speeches concerning the great measures and policies of his administration, and gives one a new respect for his sturdy idealism.

The Rice Institute Pamphlet is the title of a quarterly publication begun by The Rice Institute, Houston, Texas, in April, 1915. It is now in its third volume. Its purpose is to give "publicity in permanent form to inaugural and other lectures in letters, science, and art by visiting lecturers and professors of the University." "Texas: A democratic ode," by Henry van Dyke, appeared in the first number.

Rev. Peter H. Fullinwider: The first Presbyterian minister to visit and preach in Texas, by Edward M. Browder, is the title of a well written article first appearing in the *Texas Presbyterian*. August, 1916, and now reprinted in pamphlet form.

The Great Southern Life Insurance Company, of Houston, Texas, has issued a University number of its magazine (July, 1916), in which are reprinted the articles by William Green Sterrett on the University of Texas, Agricultural and Mechanical College, and College of Industrial Arts, that appeared in the *Dallas-Galveston News* from April 15 to 21, 1915.

A series of articles on "The Anti-Trust Legislation of Texas," by Tom Finty, Jr., has been printed in the Sunday issues of the *Dallas-Galveston News*, beginning April 2nd and ending July 23, 1916.

The address of Judge William H. Wilson on "Primary Elections as an Instrument of Popular Government," before the State Bar

Association, was printed in the Sunday issues of the *Houston Post* for July 30 and August 6 and 13, 1916.

The Texas History Teachers Bulletin, IV, No. 3 (May, 1916), continues the publication of extracts from the minutes of the ayuntamiento of San Felipe. The proceedings of March 2, October 21, November 14, 22, 24, 27, 1829, and March 9, 1831, are drawn upon.

Articles of interest concerning Texas: *El Paso* (New Republic, June 17, 1916); *The Old Texan Capital* (Scribner's Magazine, July, 1916); *Mexico in San Antonio* (New Republic, June 24, 1916); *Houston—an Inland Seaport* (Review of Reviews, July, 1916). The following articles recently appeared in Texas newspapers: Reminiscences of the lower Rio Grande border during the Civil War and 1866, when the United States threatened to expel the French from Mexico, by Margaret L. Wilson (*Galveston News*, August 6, 1916); A biographical sketch of General William J. Worth, with many extracts from his unpublished letters (*Ibid.*, August 6, 1916); The Alabama Indians of Polk County, Texas, by C. D. Waide (*Ibid.*, August 13, 1916); Captain Edgar Collins Singer, inventor of a successful submarine torpedo in 1863, by Horace N. Hill (*San Antonio Express*, July 30, 1916).

The *San Antonio Express* of August 15, 1916, contains a list of the sculptures of Pompeo Coppini, and a brief sketch of his life.

The Texas School Journal issued a special University of Texas number for September, 1916.

Two important Bulletins of the University of Texas now in press are, *A Financial History of Texas*, by Professor E. T. Miller of the department of Economics and Sociology, and a collection of *Political Party Platforms in Texas*, by Mr. E. W. Winkler of the University Library staff.